

BRITISH ENTER BOER CAPITAL

Pretoria Surrendered to Lord Roberts Today.

By Telegraph to Evening News.

London, June 5.—The end of the war between Great Britain and the South African republics came to an end today.

This morning Pretoria, the Boer capital, surrendered without the firing of a gun on either side.

Lord Roberts' army entered the city at 2 o'clock this afternoon.

There is great rejoicing in London.

FATE OF COMMISSION MEN

It Will Soon Be Known by Fruit Buyers.

The fruit commission men will soon know their fate. Attorney Frank Hammond is in Lansing today arguing the Thompson case before the supreme court. It will be remembered that Thompson was arrested for violation of the new fruit commission law, and was discharged by Judge Coolidge, who declared the law unconstitutional. Whereupon Prosecuting Attorney Valentine petitioned the supreme court to issue a mandamus compelling Judge Coolidge to re-try Thompson.

AT THE TOLLING OF THE CURFEW

The Lives of Tagless Curs Will Go Out Tonight.

A dozen curs of "high and low degree" will go out of the world with the sun this evening. Dogcatcher Jones has been busy all day gathering in the untaged canines. He will line up the unfortunate puppies and shoot them at sunset.

COUNTY HUMANE SOCIETY.

Organization of Society Completed Last Evening.

The board of directors of the Berrien county humane society met in the office of its president, Judge Thomas O'Hara, St. Joseph, last evening.

The organization of the association was completed by the election of vice presidents from different sections of the county and the appointment of several agents to act under the direction of County Superintendent C. W. Whitehead.

The vice presidents elected were as follows: Rev. Russell, of New Buffalo; Henry Chamberlain, of Three Oaks; Henry Kephart, of Berrien Springs; and Mrs. R. M. Jones, of this city.

The society is now fully organized and equipped to carry out the purposes for which it was organized.

CIRCUIT COURT.

The circuit court convened this morning and the attorneys in the Bays-Featherstone company continued their arguments on the motion to throw the case out of court.

Marriage Licenses.
Albert R. William, 41, Niles; Ella Hoag, 40, same.

EXCURSIONS VIA THE PERE MARQUETTE

Dewey Day and K. O. T. M. Review at Grand Rapids, June 12.

Greatest event in the state, Admiral Dewey and the great K. O. T. M. and L. O. T. M. review. Parade at 2 p. m. of thousands of military, Uniformed Rank K. O. T. M., industrial floats, etc., with the admiral as the guest of honor. Pere Marquette agents will sell tickets on June 11 and 12 at one fare rate, good to return until June 16.

Special rates June 12 on train leaving Benton Harbor at 7:10 a. m., and arriving at Grand Rapids at 10:45. Returning leave at 7 p. m. Rate \$1.50. You can't afford to miss this great event.

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THE WEATHER FORECAST. BOARD OF TRADE.

Fair tonight and Wednesday.

Meeting Called for Next Thursday Night.
President Miller has called a meeting of the board of trade for Thursday evening. The matter of the opening of the Paw Paw will be considered.

ST. JOSEPH.

C. D. Jennings has moved his residence from Wayne street to 911 State street.

Miss Clara Wells leaves for Chicago on the evening boat, to continue her china-painting study.

Jay Carver has arrived in the city with his wife and child. They are the guests of A. W. Wells and family.

Captain T. A. Walker is in Bridgman today superintending the construction of a new school house. He has the contract for the brick work.

Inspectors Blocker and Bonner, of Grand Haven, inspected the steamers Tourist and May Graham Monday afternoon. Both boats were found in perfect condition.

The schooner Edwin S. Tice arrived in port this morning from Maaltee with a cargo of salt for the Three-I. She caught on a sand bar near Wallace's lumber yards and was detained some time.

Commissioner C. D. Jennings has returned from Chicago, where he attended the graduation of his brother. The exercises were held in the Auditorium and, to quote the commissioner, were "swell."

George H. Martin, 44 years of age, a well-to-do farmer of Pipestone township, died in the McClurey boarding house on Broad street last evening. The deceased was returning to his home from Chicago. He leaves a wife and four children. The remains will be taken to Pipestone.

The Tourist makes her first trip up the river to Somerleyton Sunday morning, leaving her St. Joseph dock at 9 in the morning. She will make another trip later in the day, leaving at 2 in the afternoon.

Thomas O'Hara and son Frank are in Chicago today.

Elkhart Truth: F. E. Funk and family left today for St. Joseph, where they will reside permanently. Mr. Funk was formerly treasurer of the Garden City stationery company, but resigned a short time ago to accept a similar position with the Western book and paper company of St. Joseph. The many friends of Mr. and Mrs. Funk greatly regret their leaving Elkhart.

M. J. Clark of Elkhart is in town this afternoon.

M. C. Darrow of Lafayette, Indiana, is around the city today.

Ex-Postmaster Marguise of Berrien Springs was seen on the street by a reporter this afternoon.

Troops Are Ordered.

Austin, Tex., June 5.—An encounter occurred Monday morning between two factions of feudists at San Augustine, Tex., and resulted in the killing of the sheriff and two other men. The dead are Felix G. Roberts, correspondent of the Galveston News; Sheriff Noel Roberts, and Sidney Roberts. A dispatch was immediately sent to Gov. Sayres urging that militia be ordered to the town. The governor ordered the Stone Fort Rifles, a military company of Nacogdoches, to proceed to San Augustine.

Rubbish by Pirates.

Shanghai, June 5.—A number of desperadoes disguised as passengers have pirated the British Yang-Tse steamer Kutwo. They committed wholesale robberies, terrorizing the passengers, who were quite unable to offer resistance. The thieves escaped with their booty.

TO PROTECT "BOXERS"

China Will Use All Her Powers.

By Telegraph to Evening News.

Pekin, June 5.—The China Gazette claims upon high authority that the dowager empress has ordered the Li Yamen to face all Europe rather than interfere with the movements of the boxers.

It is asserted that the viceroy has ordered troops to oppose further landing of parties from foreign war ships.

MRS. JOHN SHERMAN DEAD.

The Venerable Lady Falls to Rally from the Stroke of Paralysis Suffered Sunday.

Mansfield, O., June 5.—Mrs. Sherman, wife of former Secretary of State John Sherman, died a few minutes past midnight this morning. She suffered a stroke of paralysis Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. Sherman returned to Mansfield from Washington a week ago Friday, expecting to spend the summer quietly at their cozy little home here. Mrs. Cecelia Sherman was born here in 1829. Her father, the late Judge James Stewart, was at that time a lawyer with a limited practice. Her mother died while she was a baby. December 31, 1848, she married Mr. Sherman, then a rising young lawyer of the city. No children were born to them, but they adopted several daughters.

Return to Work.

Buffalo, N. Y., June 5.—Monday morning between 2,000 and 2,500 car repairers, yardmen and freight handlers of the Erie, Lehigh Valley, Lackawanna and Western New York and Pennsylvania railroads, who quit work six weeks ago, reported for duty. Many places had been filled, but it is probable that before long all of the strikers will be at work again. With the exception of the freight handlers, most of the men receive an increase of pay.

Receiver Appointed.

Boston, June 5.—Edward Jacobs, of New York, has been appointed by Judge Colt in the United States circuit court auxiliary receiver of the "Six Little Tailors," a copartnership consisting of the plaintiff and others doing business in Chicago, Washington, Pittsburgh, New York and Boston.

A FINE ENTERTAINMENT.

It Will Be Given Next Wednesday Evening at the Methodist Church.

Philip B. Friday will give an entertainment at the Methodist church next Wednesday evening. He is an impersonator and entertainer of note and always gives the best of entertainment. The admission is 10 and 20 cents and the church ought to be packed. The Epworth league have the entertainment in charge.

FOR SOUTH HAVEN.

Sunday, June 10, the first excursion of the season will leave Benton Harbor and St. Joseph for South Haven on one of the palace steamers of the G. & M. line. The boat will leave Benton Harbor at 9 o'clock and St. Joseph at 9:30, arriving in South Haven before noon. The fare for the round trip is but 50 cents. Good music and a good time is promised.

Wanted—Immediately, 100 cases of spritz for the Excelsior Mineral baths, 155 to 65 East Main street.

Dr. S. M. White, dentist.

THE HATEFUL OLD THING.



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has been in the jewelry business in Benton Harbor for 30 years, which
tells its own story. Mr. Alger is a graduate of Hutchinson's Horo-
logical college, the finest watch school in the country, and has been
actively engaged in the jewelry business for years. With two
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The elegant steel, side-wheel passenger steamer City of Chicago, and the
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Leave Benton Harbor 1 p. m. daily except Sat. and Sunday. 8:30 p. m. daily.	Leave St. Joseph: 4 p. m. daily ex. Sun. 10 p. m. daily. 6 p. m. Sunday only.	Arrive Chicago: 9 p. m. daily. 4 a. m. daily. 10 p. m. Sunday only.
Leave Chicago 9:30 a. m. daily. 11:30 p. m. daily. 10 a. m. Sundays only. 2 p. m. Saturday only.	Arrive St. Joseph: 1:30 p. m. daily. 4 a. m. daily. 2 p. m. Sundays only. 7 p. m. Saturday only.	Ar. Benton Harbor: 2:30 p. m. daily. 6 a. m. daily. 8 p. m. Saturday only.

The right is reserved to change this schedule without notice.

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vention in Milwaukee.

FULLY 4,000 ALREADY IN THE CITY.

Many Candidates for the Office of
President—Mrs. Lowe, Present In-
cumbent, Will Refuse Reelec-
tion—The Color Question.

Milwaukee, June 5.—Fully 4,000 club
women and three times as many
trunks have arrived in preparation for
the convention of the General Federa-
tion of Women's Clubs. Most of the
delegations caucused on the train, and



MRS. REBECCA LOWE.
(President of the General Federation of
Women's Clubs.)

the result is numerous presidential
possibilities. It is evident Mrs. Lowe
can have a renomination if she wants
it, but as she solemnly declares she
will not accept it, the New York dele-
gation is working solidly for Mrs.
William Todd Helmuth, of New York
city, though Mrs. Charles Denison, of
the same city, is mentioned as the
probable recipient of Mrs. Lowe's sup-
port. The Colorado women would like
to boom Mrs. Sarah Platt Decker, but
she will not consent as long as there
is even a slight possibility of Mrs.
Lowe changing her mind. The Massa-
chusetts contingent came in with
their support given to Mrs. Annie
West, of Boston, their state chairman
of correspondence. New Jersey ar-
rived with a candidate in the person
of Mrs. Emily Williamson, of Trenton,
and the name of Mrs. Brock, of Leb-
anon, Pa., is also numbered with the
aspirants.

Colored Clubs Shut Out.
The "color question," as it crops out
in Mrs. Josephine Ruffin, of Boston, a
delegate from a colored club, was tem-
porarily settled Monday by the board
of directors tabling its application for
membership. This will leave Mrs.
Ruffin to continue as a delegate from
two organizations of white women, the
New England Press association and the
Massachusetts Federation. The Mas-
sachusetts women are much embar-
rassed over the issue, and the board of
directors, on the other hand, feel they
have taken the wisest course possible
in refusing to establish the precedent
of accepting a club made up mostly of
colored women, as in the New Era club,
of Boston, of which Mrs. Ruffin is pres-
ident.

The Indiana controversy was settled
by the national board recognizing the
state federation already formed with
Mrs. Rose Budd Stewart, of Fort
Wayne, as president. The dissenting
clubs will be recognized in the general



MRS. CORINNE BROWN.
(Chairman Industrial Department, Gen-
eral Federation.)

federation as individual clubs, but if
they wish state affiliation it will have
to be with the state federation as
formed.

At the morning session the position
of wage-earning women to the federa-
tion was discussed, and the women
reached the conclusion to urge work-
ing women to form clubs, which would
be received upon the same footing
with other clubs.

To-day the convention proper will
open at the Alhambra theater, with
Mrs. Lowe in the chair. There will be
addresses of welcome and the biennial
address of the president. After the
business session in the evening will
come a complimentary drive along the
lake shore, and the elaborate evening
programme at the Alhambra devoted to
sculpture.

Celebrated His Birthday.
Atlanta, Ga., June 5.—Appropriate
exercises were held at the capitol
Monday, to celebrate the ninety-se-
cond anniversary of the birth of Jef-
ferson Davis, the only president of the
confederacy. Gov. Candler issued an
order for all of the statehouse offices
to be closed. Sunday was the date of
Mr. Davis' birthday, but being Sunday,
the event was postponed until Mon-
day.

Republican Candidate Wins.
Galesburg, Ill., June 5.—Judge J. P.
Hand, republican, was elected to the
Illinois supreme bench in the Fifth
judicial district over Justice A. M.
Craig, independent.

Gen. Joe Wheeler will probably be made
a brigadier general in the regular army
and retired.

Democrats say that Mark Hanna is
planning to buy up country newspapers
for campaign purposes.

The sight of the left eye of Prof. At-
kins, of Michigan Agricultural college,
was destroyed by an explosion.

Gov. Sayers, of Texas, has ordered the
militia to San Augustine county to sup-
press a feud between four families.

The Nebraska board of health may call
for a federal quarantine against Wyom-
ing because of the prevalence of small-
pox.

The Wisconsin Central will make a one-
cent rate to the grand army encampment
in Chicago. Other western lines are ex-
pected to follow.

Americans took conspicuous part in un-
veiling, at Vendome, France, a monu-
ment to Rochambeau, who fought for
this country in the revolutionary war.

Great Britain is said to be gathering a
fleet at Malta with a view to landing
troops at Tangier, Germany, to give
moral backing in the move against
France.

The proprietors of the Metropolitan med-
ical college, in Chicago, were arrested on
the charge of using the mails to de-
fraud. The institution has graduated
1,000 "physicians" a year without exam-
ination.

The Neely shortage grows upon each
new examination of accounts. Director
Bristow estimates that it may reach
half a million. Neely, who is in Ludlow
Street jail, New York, may soon be re-
moved to Havana for trial.

BASEBALL.

Progress of the Race for the Various
Championships—Scores Made
in Recent Games.

The standing of the clubs of the lead-
ing baseball organizations is shown in
the following tables: National league.

Clubs	Won	Lost	Per ct.
Philadelphia	23	12	.658
Brooklyn	19	15	.559
Pittsburgh	21	18	.538
Chicago	19	17	.523
St. Louis	17	17	.500
Boston	14	18	.438
New York	13	20	.394
Cincinnati	12	22	.353

American league:	Won	Lost	Per ct.
Indianapolis	24	8	.750
Milwaukee	21	16	.568
Cleveland	19	17	.527
Chicago	20	19	.513
Minneapolis	20	19	.513
Kansas City	19	21	.476
Buffalo	13	23	.361
Detroit	11	24	.314

National league games on Monday:
At New York—New York, 7, 11, 5; Cincinnati,
4, 6, 3. At Philadelphia—Pittsburgh, 5,
10, 1; Philadelphia, 4, 7, 2 (ten innings).
At Brooklyn—Chicago, 6, 18, 2; Brooklyn,
7, 1, 1. At Boston—Boston, 6, 13, 2; St.
Louis, 3, 9, 1.

American league: At Chicago—Buffalo,
3, 8, 7; Chicago, 2, 6, 4 (15 innings). At
Minneapolis—Minneapolis, 6, 14, 4; Detroit,
5, 8, 2. At Milwaukee—Milwaukee, 9, 13,
3; Cleveland, 8, 15, 6 (12 innings). At Kan-
sas City—Indianapolis, 19, 21, 3; Kansas
City, 3, 4, 9.

Interstate league: At Mansfield—Fort
Wayne, 7, 9, 1; Mansfield, 4, 10, 2. At To-
ledo—Toledo, 7, 11, 3; Columbus, 2, 9, 2.
At Newcastle—Newcastle, 6, 12, 3; Youngs-
town, 3, 5, 2. At Dayton—Dayton, 7, 11,
8; Wheeling, 1, 13, 0.

THE MARKETS.

Grain, Provisions, Etc.

Chicago, June 4.
FLOUR—Quiet and steady.
WHEAT—Easier. July, 60½¢@67½¢.
CORN—Higher. Cash, 37½¢@37¾¢; June,
37½¢@37¾¢; July, 37½¢@37¾¢; September,
37½¢@38½¢.

OATS—Steady. July, 21½¢@21¾¢.
RYE—Still dull and slow. No. 2 cash
in store at 52½¢; No. 3 was 51½¢; July at
52½¢@53½¢.

BARLEY—Receipts light. Barley com-
ing sells all right. Screenings 27¢@34¢;
feed quotably, 34¢@37¢; common to choice
malt, 38¢@42¢.

MESS PORK—Offerings were fair and
demand moderate. Feeling firm and
prices higher. Prices quotable at \$11.25
for regular cash; and \$10.10@10.20
for repacked old; \$11.05@11.25 for July,
and \$11.12@11.22½ for September.

LARD—Demand moderate, and offerings
were fair. Feeling firmer. Prices quotable
at \$9.70@9.75 for regular; \$9.75@9.80 for
choice old; \$9.62½@9.72½ for July, and \$9.60
@9.67½ for September.

SHORT RIB SIDES—Offerings fair and
demand moderate. Feeling firmer. Prices
quotable at \$6.35@6.55 for cash, accord-
ing to weight; \$6.50@6.60 for July, and
\$6.47½@6.57½ for September.

POTATOES—Market weak and easy.
Burbanks, 31¢@36¢; Rurals, 34¢@36¢; He-
brons, Peerless and Kings, 35¢@37¢; mixed,
32¢@34¢. New Potatoes—Triumphs, choice,
per bbl., \$2.25; Peerless, \$1.50@1.55.

EGGS—Easy. Loss of cases returned,
quotably, 11¢; city recanted, new cases
included, quotably, 11½¢.

BUTTER—Steady. Creameries, extra,
19¢@19½¢ per pound; firsts, 17½¢@18½¢; sec-
onds, 16¢@16½¢; dairies, 14½¢@17¢; imitation
creameries, 14¢@16¢.

LIVE POULTRY—Market steady. Tur-
keys, 60¢@70¢; chickens, 8¢@9¢; ducks, 7¢
per pound; geese, \$3.00@4.00.

New York, June 4.
FLOUR—Inactive, but nominally steady
in absence of pressure to sell; winter pat-
ents, \$3.00@3.35; winter straights, \$3.35@
3.45.

WHEAT—Spot steady; No. 2 red, 77½¢;
options closed steady at a partial ¼¢ ad-
vance; July, 71 15-16@72 1-16; closed 72½¢;
September, 73 1-16@73 3-16; closed 73½¢.

CORN—Spot strong; No. 2, 43½¢; options
closed strong at ½¢ not advanced; July,
23½¢@43¢; closed 43¢; September, 42½¢@43½¢;
closed 43½¢.

OATS—Spot dull; No. 2, 26¢; No. 3, 25½¢;
No. 2 white, 27½¢; No. 3 white, 26½¢;
track mixed western, 25½¢@27½¢; track
white, 27½¢; option market was quiet, but
nominally firmer.

EGGS—Receipts steady. Western, loss
off, 12½¢@13¢; Western at mark, 10½¢@
12½¢.

Live Stock.

Chicago, June 4.
HOGS—Market fairly active, opening
weak and so lower, but later the decline
was recovered. Sales ranged at \$4.10@
4.80 for Pigs; \$4.90@5.10 for light; \$4.85@
4.95 for rough packing; \$4.90@5.10 for
mixed, and \$5.00@5.10 for heavy packing
and shipping lots.

CATTLE—Market rather active. Feel-
ing was firm and prices 10¢@20¢ higher.
Quotations ranged at \$5.40@5.75 for choice
to extra Steers; \$5.00@5.40 for good to
choice do.; \$4.70@5.00 for fair to good do.;
\$4.55@4.70 for common to medium do.;
\$4.20@4.45 for butchers' Steers; \$4.70@5.50
for fed Western Steers; \$4.00@5.00 for
feeding Steers; \$2.50@4.50 for Cows; \$3.50@
5.10 for Heifers; \$2.00@4.35 for Bulls and
Oxen; \$4.00@4.80 for Stags; \$4.00@5.00 for
Texas Steers, and \$4.50@5.75 for Veal
Calves.

SHEEP—Market moderately active and
prices strong. Quotations ranged at \$4.50
25¢ for Westerns; \$2.75@3.50 for Native
\$5.00@7.00 for Western Lambs; \$3.25@4.50
for native Lambs, and \$5.00@7.50 for
Spring Lambs.

"but not until last June did I see a bear
at large on his native haunts. The ex-
perience, well, I have been quite certain
since, that for bears I prefer the same va-
riety in cages. And here let me say one
thing. You need never expect any sympathy
in Maine if you're frightened to death by a
bear, for nobody believes you've seen one.
They're good people in all other ways, but
the Maine folks are callous skeptics about
bears. I haven't a grain of doubt that if
this one had eaten Grace Caldwell and me
the people would have said: 'Well, now,
d'y'e really 'sposed 'twas a bear that did it?'
More'n likely 'twas a calf that took 'em for
greens."

"We had started from Monson in the
morning, Grace and I, in a two-seated wagon,
to drive to Greenville, at the foot of Moose-
head lake, to bring back my husband from
a fishing trip. Our horse was a sedate beast,
with notions of his own as to what was a
proper road gait, and they were moderate
to an extreme. But it was a lucky thing
for us that he wasn't one of the flighty
kind, as was proved before we got to Green-
ville. We had made the first half of the way,
seven miles, to Shirley Corner, and beyond
came a long, level stretch through swampy
woods, two miles or more. The road was a
good one, though narrow, for it had been the
old stage route to the lake before the rail-
road was built. The last human being that
we saw before entering the woods was a man
hoeing potatoes in a field by the wayside,
which gave us somewhat a sense of security.
We had got three-quarters of a mile into the
woods and were going on, talking and laugh-
ing, thinking of anything but trouble ahead,
when, as we turned a sharp bend in the
road, something big and shaggy loomed up
before us in the road, the horse stopped
short and began to rear and back, and Grace
and I both shrieked together: 'A bear!'

"He seemed to have been crossing the
road when we came upon him, but at sight
of us he sat down on his haunches and faced
us, swinging his head from side to side and
showing his teeth.

"In a quarter of a minute the horse, in
spite of all that Grace could do to hold him
steady, had backed the hind wheels of the
wagon into the ditch. The road was too nar-
row to turn in, and we had the prospect of
being upset to add to the rest of our trouble.
But Grace's State-of-Maine good sense and
coolness were equal to the occasion, and her
voice brought me to my senses.

"We're here and have got to make the
best of it. If we live we live, and if we
don't we don't. We can't turn round, and
we've got to go ahead."

"With a strong hand she pulled the horse's
head round in the way he should go,
screamed: 'G'd'ap, and struck him smartly
with the whip. The surprise of the thing
seemed to overcome the horse's fear of the
bear, and he fairly jumped ahead. Did we
scream? Screaming doesn't begin to de-
scribe the outcry we both set up, and that,
and the swish of the whip and the sight of
the horse and wagon coming straight for
him was too much for the bear, and he
turned and bolted back into the bushes.
But in my fright I felt perfectly sure that
he was still waiting by the roadside to jump
on us as we passed, and I was on the side
nearest him.

"Oh, Grace! I shrieked, and clung to her.
'He'll get me first,' and I almost crowded
her off the seat trying to get as far away
from the bear as I could.

"The horse was running away, but for
that we felt rather thankful, for we were
thinking of nothing but to put distance be-
tween us and the bear. Grace, letting her-
self get scared, now that the worst danger
was passed, kept whipping the horse, and
the wagon wheels seemed to touch the
ground only at intervals all the rest of the
way through the woods. Luckily the road
was smooth, so we didn't break down or tip
over, and there was a long hill where it
came out of the woods, which gave us a
chance to slow down without accident. Near
the top of the hill was a farmhouse, and four
or five men were in the yard sawing wood
with a pair of horses in a treadmill. We
stopped in the road opposite them.

"Come here! Come here!' I screamed.
The men looked up from their work and
stared at us, but no one moved.

"Come here!' I cried again, and they
sauntered out to the roadside.

"It's a bear, a bear!' I shrieked, 'back
there in the woods. I want you to go and
kill him.

"You're sure 'tisn't a dog?' one of the
men said, in a matter-of-fact way, not mean-
ing any offense.

"This was too much. Grace touched the
horse with the whip, and without another
word to the men, we drove as fast as we
could to the next house. The man was at
home, and we called him out to the road and
told him our story. He was not quite so
bad as the others had been, and heard us
through without offering any impertinent
suggestion.

"I'll go down the road and take a look
at the spot," he said, after Grace and I, talk-
ing both together, had managed to give him
some idea of where we had seen the bear. 'If
I find it really was a bear I'll set a trap for
him.'

"With as much comfort as this might give
we drove on to Greenville, where we found
my husband awaiting us. Of course, we
couldn't speak of anything else till we had
told him of the bear, and the fright he had
given us.

"Just my luck not to be there," was his
unfeeling first remark. 'I've been waiting all
my life to see a bear in the woods, and here's
one come out and performs for you, and
you're not so much as thankful.'

"We drove back to Monson in the after-
noon, and passing the house of the man who
had listened to our story he came out to
speak to us.

"Wasn't it a bear, a monstrous great
one?' I cried, before he could utter a word.

"It was, for a fact," he said. 'The tracks
are there, and they show 'twas a big one.
It's a she bear, with two cubs. I've set a
trap and—you belong in Monson, don't you
—I'll call and tell you how I make out when
I go there next week.'

"We wished him luck very sincerely, and
drove on. When we came to the place
where we had seen the bear we stopped to
look at the tracks. They were plainly
printed in the road, with the deep claw
marks at the ends, and they did look big
and ugly. I thing that after seeing them
my husband felt that it was a doubtful piece
of luck, our meeting the bear, and that our
cause for thanksgiving was in getting away
safe.

"The man caught one of the cubs in his
trap that night, as he told us when he came
to Monson the next week. The old bear and
the other cub went safe, for the time being,
anyhow—but reading last month in the
Maine fish and game commissioner's report
that 55 bears were killed during the past
year in the state, I have my hopes that they
got her on their list at last."—N. Y. Sun.



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TWO CENTS.

JOB FOR GRADUATES

What the 144 Schools of the County Offer.

Smallest School at Dutch Corners, Largest in Lincoln.

The high schools all over the county have graduated classes of young men and women, who now are on the search for congenial labor. Many have decided to apply for positions as teachers in the county schools and are again deep in their books preparing for the teachers' examination to be held in St. Joseph June 21. If they are successful in this, second and third grade certificates will be awarded them and they will be qualified to teach.

In Berrien county at present there are only 244 who hold certificate, and fully 100 of these took the examinations for practice only and do not intend teaching. Only 52 per cent of those taking the last series of examinations for certificates passed and the majority of the successful ones were graduates of the small country schools. The larger high schools do not, it is found, prepare their students as thoroughly in the common branches as do their smaller brothers. Some schools, as New Troy and Watervliet, make it necessary for their students to secure a third grade certificate before graduating.

Armed with his certificate the aspirant for educational honors will next visit Commissioner Jennings in his office in the court house at St. Joseph. Here the commissioner will show him a large record book, containing the names and locations of Berrien county's 144 schools and the names, ages, dispositions and standings of the various scholars. The commissioner has prepared this record at great labor and it will be an excellent guide to the would-be teacher.

There are 180 instructors employed in the county with an average monthly salary of \$30. The smallest paying school and the one with smallest

attendance is that at Dutch Corners, between Niles and Buchanan. There are six pupils enrolled, but the average attendance rarely exceeds one and sometimes not so many even. Commissioner Jennings declares this to be the only perfect school in the county. There is no playing or whispering among the students. The school pays a monthly salary of \$18.

In contrast is the North Lincoln school, with an enrollment of 80 and a salary of \$37.50, which is the largest amount received by any teacher in the county schools.

When the embryo educator has selected the school over which he fondly hopes to preside he enters his application with Commissioner Jennings and if he be a promising youth and there are not any ahead of him he will receive the plum.

The teacher will find good country board and lodging for \$8 to \$12 a month. Frequent country gatherings in the winter with plenty of apples and pies and cider, it may be, interspersed with skating and hunting parties, furnish the teacher outside pleasures and relieve the monotony of the life.

Many men who have afterward won fame and success began their careers as teachers in the country schools of Berrien county.

J. E. Hammond, now state superintendent of schools, once taught a Berrien county district school. He was paid \$18 a month and he earned it.

C. D. Jennings, the present county commissioner of schools, when a 19-year-old lad, taught the Pipestone school and taught it so well that the following year he was promoted to a larger school. Each district school was a stepping stone to his present position.

Superintendent E. P. Clark of St. Joseph is another example of a successful man whose first job was the government of a band of rural lads and lassies.

MICHIGAN.

Chase S. Osborn says he is still confident of victory, and remarked on the side that he "would rather not be governor than to lose the respect and confidence of the people of my own section, as some others are doing."

Michigan pensions were granted Saturday as follows: Original—John H. Cogsdell, St. Johns, \$6. Additional—Wallace W. Corbett, Chase, \$8. Renewal—James H. Merrill, Newaygo, \$8. Increase—W. H. Zeelar, Saginaw, W. S., \$17; Arthur L. Haigut, Alpena, \$30. Release—John Gunderman, Rives Junction, \$17; Nelson R. Masters, Lyckleys Corners, \$8. Widows—Jane Ann Deeter, Brighton, \$8; Ordella Lambard, Whitmore Lake, \$8.

Ferryites claim the lion's share of Van Buren delegates at the county convention June 5.

Lyman H. McCall, of Charlotte, will be an assistant-at-arms at the republican national convention.

Col. Sutton, just acquitted of complicity in the military steal, has been besieged with telegrams of congratulation since his acquittal. He will probably remain in Detroit to practice law.

William Boyles, the Charlotte business man who refused to make a statement regarding his financial condition, has changed his mind, and the suit against him will be discontinued.

The Bell Telephone Co. is said to be after Eaton county exchanges.

Michael Glassier, of Berrien county, was shaving himself a week ago when he accidentally cut a mole on his chin. Blood-poisoning set in and he died Sunday.

Port Huronites claim to have a big kick coming over the raise in telephone rates. The old rate for a talk with Detroit was 20 cents for five minutes, now it is 55 cents.

Work on the Lansing, St. Louis & St. Johns electric road will begin June 15. The road will cost \$1,500,000.

Port Huron's common council has cut down the police fund and the chief says he may have to reduce his force.

The Michigan earnings of all railroads doing business in the state for the month of April aggregate \$3,185,776.48. This is an increase of \$412,145.41 over the corresponding month of 1899. During the first four months of the present year the aggregate earnings of Michigan roads were \$12,104,541.07, an increase of \$1,648,534.15 over the corresponding period of last year.

RAISING ASSESSMENTS.

Work of Supervisors in Various Counties of State.

The valuation of real property in Jackson was placed at \$8,093,535, an increase of \$2,180,045 over 1899, and of personal property at \$3,083,855, an increase of \$2,039,575. This will mean a tax rate for the city of about \$1.30 per \$1,000 as against \$1.90 with the valuation of 1899.

The valuation in Eaton county will increase over \$500,000, through the efforts of the new state tax commission. Eaton county is now second in the state among the counties on the percentage assessed. Hillsdale leads with 84.49; Eaton second, 83.23; Lenawee third, 80.95; Livingston fourth, 80.23; Washtenaw fifth, 78.89.

The supervisors of Three Rivers have been experiencing some of the beatitudes of the new tax law, and while they have been met by a good many kickers, they have gone straight ahead and, as a rule, the assessment roll is generally satisfactory. There are some cases that will be referred to President Campbell, of the tax commission, and the kickers will have to "cough up." The assessment in this city shows a valuation of \$934,180, and \$1,270,758 personal property. The gains over last year are \$381,155 on realty and \$314,220 on personal property.

WOMEN'S BURDENS.

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THE EAST SIDE SEWER

Council Orders the Long Prayed For Morton Hill Sewer to Be Built.

WILL EMPTY INTO PAW PAW.

L. D. Jones Appointed Dog Warden —Three-I Road Will Be Considered Next Week.

At last the prayer of the residents of the east side of the city will be answered. At the meeting of the city council held last evening, Victor M. Gore of the board of public works was present to present the plans and profiles of the east side trunk sewer which had been prepared by the city engineer and approved by the board of public works.

The new sewer will have its outlet in the Paw Paw river and it will be necessary to secure the right-of-way across the private lands of J. Stanley Morton, James E. Stevens and James Miller. This route will save the city about \$1,700, although the right-of-way will cost \$600. The cost of building the sewer to the river around through the streets would cost \$2,300.

Resolutions were adopted authorizing the mayor and clerk to sign the contracts with the people whose land the sewer would cross and it was also decided to set apart June 25 as the day the council and board of public works would convene to hear objections to the proposed improvement.

Resolutions were passed favoring the opening of the Paw Paw river to navigation and the mayor was authorized to be present at the hearing which will be held in Grand Rapids, June 9.

One of the four remaining bridge bonds of \$500, with interest of \$120 was authorized paid.

The liquor bonds of Lynch & O'Leary, whose place of business will be at 115 Water street, was accepted. George M. Bell, A. H. Wiggins and Alfred Emerson were the sureties. Lorenzo D. Jones was appointed dog warden and his bond of \$500 was accepted.

A petition to extend the sidewalks on the north side of High street was referred to the street committee.

A petition from the residents of Washington street asking for a sewer was referred to the board of public works.

The residents of the west end of Britain avenue had a written protest before the council asking that the matter of putting in a sewer be deferred. The protest was placed on file.

The plans and estimate of cost of the Vineyard avenue sewer was accepted, and protests will be heard June 25 at 10 o'clock in the forenoon. The cost of this improvement is estimated at \$481.10.

A new fire ordinance was passed and C. S. Boyle was appointed building inspector and deputy city clerk.

The matter of repairing the canal bridge was left with the street committee with power to act.

The council adjourned until next Monday evening, at which time the Three I railroad project will be brought up.

Glorious News

Comes from Dr. D. B. Cargile, of Washita, I. T. He writes: "Electric Bitters has cured Mrs. Brewer of scrofula, which had caused her great suffering for years. Terrible sores would break out on her head and face, and the best doctors could give no help; but now her health is excellent." Electric Bitters is the best blood purifier known. It's the supreme remedy for eczema, tetter, salt rheum, ulcers, boils and running sores. It stimulates liver, kidneys and bowels, expels poisons, helps digestion, builds up the strength. Only 50 cts. Sold by Lowe & Witherspoon, druggists, Guaranteed.

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EXCURSIONS

PERE MARQUETTE

Dewey Day and K. O. T. M. Review at Grand Rapids, June 12.

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BEAUTY OF FAITH ILLUSTRATED.

There can be found no one who will dispute the multiplication table. Every one agrees that twice 2 are 4, for the same can be proven and demonstrated. In the Christian religion, and all other religions, there is no way to demonstrate its truth without the exercise of faith. It requires no faith to believe in the multiplication table. It does require faith to be a devout follower of any form of religion.

Admitting for the sake of argument that all religion is a delusion the fact stands plainly forth that it is the prettiest of all of the delusions of earth. Never was this more touchingly brought forth than in the death of the little crippled son of Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Miller, who died Sunday morning. He had been taught in the home and in the Sunday school the "hopes of the Christian. On Saturday he awoke from a short snatch of sleep and with laughing eyes he told the friends about him:

"I have just seen Jesus and he told me that I would go home tomorrow morning and that I would not suffer any more. I saw heaven and it was filled with flowers and angels and it was such a nice place."

Next morning the boy died, and those who call it all sentiment will not be cruel enough to say that the vision of the flowers and the angels did not become real to the little life which had known only suffering here.

The boxers seem to have their own way in China. A visit to the St. Joseph athletic club would take the conceit from them.

The Elkhardt Truth devotes much of its energy in defaming William Dallin, whom it accuses of being engaged in building a paper railroad from Toledo to some point on Lake Michigan. Mr. Dallin is not to blame for his distinguished enemies any more than the grapes were to blame for the cursings of the fox.

The Chicago Record has a first page cartoon today advertising St. Joseph as a wedding resort. In the picture are many lovers wending their way up the bluff which is plastered with all sorts of alluring signs, of which the following are samples: "Get our Marriage Rates by the Dozen," "Beware of Imitations," "All Knots Tied Here Guaranteed." The cartoon is a libel for it does not contain the picture or even the name of County Clerk Needham, the father of the industry.

THERE is something of a dispute in regard to the complexion of the delegates elected to the republican county convention from Benton township. The Stearns followers claim that they have 12 and perhaps 13 of the 15, while the Ferryites claim they have 8 of the 15. The Ferry men also play the role of prophet and declare that by the time of the convention that they will have a majority of the delegates from the township in dispute. Evidently some of the brethren of the delegation have been playing "both ends against the middle."

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Pay your dog tax at the office of the city clerk and get a tag if you want your dog to live. 41207

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WANTS FOR A DEMAND

Burgomaster of Pretoria Ready to Surrender the City.

HE IS ONLY WAITING TO BE ASKED.

Famous Town Is Invested by the British—Lord Roberts Still Silent as to the Situation—News Hard to Get.

London, June 5.—An undated news agency message from Pretoria, via Lourenzo Marques, says: "Pretoria is now invested by the British. No resistance will be offered. The city will be surrendered by the burgomaster as soon as a formal demand is made." This message purports to come in cipher. President Kruger commands the telegraph eastward from Pretoria and telegraphic news from Pretoria to Lourenzo Marques has ceased, but the messengers of newspaper correspondents continue to pass to and fro on the railway. The latest to arrive at Lourenzo Marques bring events at the Boer capital down to a late hour Friday night.

Another Story.

Another dispatch brought to Lourenzo Marques by messenger, and dated at Pretoria, Friday, at midnight, says: The war council assumes the powers of the government. Its members declare that the capital may still be successfully defended. One commander declared: "With the help of God, the hour will still come when Great Britain will acknowledge the independence of the two republics. A tremendous change will yet come over the situation." Gen. Delarey said that Pretoria would be defended to the utmost, adding: "There is every chance that we will yet beat the enemy out of the country."

President Kruger is somewhere to the eastward, but is in constant wire communication with the leaders here. There is, however, a deep feeling of anger against him on account of what is now called his unnecessary flight, and because he and the officials took all the gold and left their subordinates unpaid.

Roberts Still Silent.

Of official intelligence regarding what is transpiring outside Pretoria there is little or nothing. Lord Roberts is silent. Nevertheless, by piecing together items from various correspondents, it would seem that Lord Roberts' immediate army is all employed north of Johannesburg, except one brigade, which is at Johannesburg and that six columns are converging on Pretoria.

Boers Baffled.

The Boer operations to break Lord Roberts' communications have been completely baffled and the Boer columns are in danger of being surrounded by the British forces at Ficksburg, Senekal, Heilbron and Lindley. Gen. Rundle, instead of throwing himself against the Boers entrenched at Heilbron, moved toward Ficksburg and established communication with Gen. Brabant. The Boers marched parallel with Rundle, intending to seize a strong position on the Ficksburg road, but Gen. Rundle got there first. The 1,500 Boers who were in this movement are now reported to be going elsewhere.

CITIZEN POSSE ON GUARD.

The Deputies Thus Far Sworn In at St. Louis Are Assigned to Duty with Riot Guns.

St. Louis, June 5.—The citizen members of the posse comitatus had their first experience with active service Monday, when several companies were assigned for guard duty at the Park avenue, Easton avenue and Southern electric powerhouses of the Transit company. Arms were given out to about 900 of the deputies Sunday and the day was spent drilling them. As a result the deputies presented a military appearance as they marched away to their respective rendezvous with guns at a right shoulder.

Every power house and car shed of the St. Louis Transit company is being guarded by Sheriff Pohlman's posse comitatus. In all about 900 men are on duty. A force of from 50 to 60 men has been stationed at each power house and remained on duty throughout the night. At seven o'clock this morning an equal number of men relieved those on duty and will remain on guard until seven o'clock to-night, when the night guard will again take charge. This mode of procedure will continue until the strike is settled. The posse is armed with Winchester repeating shotguns. Shells loaded with buckshot will be used in case of a disturbance. While on guard duty the members of the sheriff's posse will be subject to strict military discipline. The following orders have been issued:

"General Orders, Headquarters Sheriff's Posse, June 4.—To All Commanders of Detachments: You will take every care of your men, maintain good discipline and place under arrest anyone under your command who commits a serious breach of discipline."

"When ordered to report to Chief of Police Campbell or any of his captains, and you thereupon receive from him or any of them an order to make such disposition or use of your men as you believe to be inconsistent with their duty and authority as members of a 'posse comitatus,' you will nevertheless obey such order, and forthwith report the matter to me. Your men will pay no attention to trifling annoyances from citizens, but will submit to no abuse, promptly arresting any offender."

"In quelling any riot or disturbance and in dispersing any unlawful and threatening assemblage of persons you will use your utmost endeavor to arrest the ringleaders and instigators, turning them over to the police for incarceration. You will use only the necessary force in the performance of such duty, but will meet violence with violence, and, if fired upon, you are expected, with due regard for the safety of innocent bystanders to make sure that the criminals reach the jail or the morgue if necessary. J. H. CAVERNER, Commanding Posse."

MAGIC BIT OF SILVER

"I WANT to ask you a question, Gomez."

"Well, my dear boy, what is it?" "Where did you get your money?" The question was an abrupt one—it was almost impertinent. But Gomez de Bonilla was an intimate friend of mine, a good fellow, and—and we had dined. To say the truth, we not only had dined, but wine, and it was over some excellent post-prandials in the shape of further wine and fragrant cigars that I had asked the question. But I had long wished to do so, and I will tell you why.

Some two years before Gomez was as poor as a church-mouse. He was always a good fellow, but then, you know, there is a difference between good fellows rich and good fellows poor. And, to my shame be it spoken, I think I liked him better rich than poor. Well, as I said, he was almost destitute. He had a profession, it is true—he was a journalist; but in Spain the gains of the fraternity of the pen are not large. What little he did earn went to the bad, for he was an inveterate gambler.

But from a poverty-stricken journalist he suddenly blossomed out into a man of wealth. He had the finest horses, he belonged to the most fashionable club, he had the most luxuriously fitted town house, he had purchased the country seat of a decayed grandee, he had the best cook in Madrid, and he moved in the best society—for almost even in Spain the golden key is beginning to open all portals. But do not think from what I say that Gomez was not a gentleman, for he came of an excellent family.

Well, as I said, we had just finished an excellent dinner, and over the walnuts and wine I put my question:

"Gomez, where did you get your money?" He looked at me thoughtfully, and knocked the ash from his cigar. "Where did I get my money?" he repeated, slowly. "And what says Dame Rumor concerning it, Pedro?"

"There are all sorts of stories," I replied; "some probable, some wildly impossible; some good-humored, more ill-natured. You will pardon my frankness if I tell you that I have heard some people call your wealth 'ill-gotten gains,' whisper of retired highway-men and the like. There are others who hint darkly at counterfeiting. Among the lower classes there is a widespread belief that you have sold yourself to the devil. And I have even met intelligent people who hinted at supernatural means."

"Listen, and you may perhaps tell me whether the means were supernatural or no. I have never been able to decide. The reason that the source of my fortune has never been discovered was because the only man who knew of it left the city the day after."

He paused.

"The day after what?" I queried.

He lit a fresh cigar and then began: "You knew me two years ago, when I was poor. You also knew, as did all my friends, that I had a passion for gaming. You would all of you chorus when speaking of me: 'Poor Bonilla! He has the worst of vices—he is a desperate gambler.' You were all wrong. I did not play simply for love of it. I played because I was poor. I was not a gambler, I was a speculator. I had fixed upon a certain sum which I considered a competence. I saw no way of acquiring it by my profession, so I devoted myself to the green cloth—how assiduously you know."

"One evening I was feeling unusually blue. I never drank, as you know—that is, never to excess—and certainly never to what is called 'drowning sorrow.' My resource was the gaming table. Unfortunately I had in my possession a considerable sum of money, which had been entrusted to me by a friend, for the purpose of paying some debts; he had been suddenly called away from the city. I entered the gambling-hell, and seated myself at the roulette table. Fortune was against me; the few duros that belonged to me were soon gone. Something seemed to possess me that night; I was not myself. I did what I never should have dreamed myself capable of doing—I staked my friend's money. I staked it, and I lost it all."

I was about to speak.

"Do not condemn me," he interrupted; "you could say nothing severer than were my self-reproaches. Long I sat there, glaring at the other players. As I watched the ivory ball spin round, my brain seemed to spin round, too. My senses seemed to be leaving me. I felt as if life were no longer dear to me. Penitence and dishonor, what was there left to live for?"

"As these thoughts passed through my working brain, the night wore on. The players dropped off one by one. The tables were gradually deserted. Soon there was but one left lighted—the roulette-table before which I sat, and at which one persevering gambler was trying his luck. Finally he, too, wearied, and I was left alone with the banker, who was the proprietor of the gambling-hell."

"Oh, I remember," I interrupted, "Jose Herrera, who disappeared so suddenly a couple of years ago."

"The same," replied Bonilla, fixing his eyes keenly upon me.

"The banker looked at me inquiringly. I half rose to retire. I had fully determined to blow out my brains in the street, and that I did not do so is owing to one of the strangest circumstances—so strange that you will not blame me for wondering whether it was supernatural. I half rose, I say, and as I did so, I saw upon the floor a round, bright object which had a silver shimmer as the gas light fell upon it. It was a coin, a peseta."

"A peseta," I interrupted, breathlessly.

"Yes," he went on, "a little bit of silver coin—only a peseta. But it saved my life. I placed my foot upon it, and motioning to the banker, said:

"A peseta on the seventeen!" "The banker knew me well—he had cause to—and without making any inquiries he repeated my wager after me, and set the ball a-whirling. It stopped in the seventeen."

"Seventeen wins," said he, and on the seventeen changed seven silver duros.

"Do you leave it there?" said he. I nodded.

"Again the ivory ball spun round, and again it stopped at seventeen. 'Seventeen wins,' said the banker."

"Again I left the glittering pile upon the seventeen, and again it won. Seven several times did the Goddess Fortune smile upon me. And when I stopped it was not because I feared to venture further, but because I had broken the bank. The poverty-stricken wretch who a few moments before had contemplated suicide was now wealthy."

"And the peseta," said I, "you have that still, of course?"

"No," he replied, with a strange smile. "Why," exclaimed I, with surprise, "had I been you I would have kept it all my life."

"No," he replied, with the same peculiar smile, "you would not have kept it."

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Cripple Creek mines have paid \$12,821,000 in dividends since 1893.
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Admiral Dewey is to start west Tues- day for a trip lasting eight days.
An Iowa boy has invented a gun which is said to fire 8,400 bullets a minute.
Wheat crop in Kansas promises to be the greatest in the history of the state.
The report that Lord Salisbury con- templated retiring from political life is denied.
Various railroad companies plan to pool receipts from National G. A. R. encamp- ment business.
Mayor Van Wyck, of New York, may be removed from office because of his con- nection with the ice trust.
Chairman Hanna has invited members of the first republican convention to at- tend the Philadelphia meeting.
Federal Steel company's plant at South Chicago, Ill., closed down indefinitely, throwing 3,400 men out of employment.
Gov. Roosevelt announces that he has granted the extradition of Neely, de- manded by Gov. Gen. Wood, of Cuba.
Fears are entertained for Chicago mis- sionaries in China, many of whom are in the district threatened by the "boxers."
The Bundesrath, in carrying out the pro- visions of the meat bill, will consider Brit- ish and American interests as far as pos- sible.

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Congress Is Preparing for Its Final Adjournment.
WEDNESDAY PROBABLY LAST DAY.
Senator Teller Announces That He Will Not Support the Republican Ticket—House Passes St. Louis Exposition Appropriation.

Washington, June 5.—Congress is in the last gasps of the long session, and its expiration apparently is to be quite perfunctory. Unless something extraordinary occurs no further general legislation of national importance will be enacted before final adjournment. The senate was in session more than ten hours Monday, nearly four hours of which were spent in executive ses- sion.

After many efforts had been made by senators to obtain consideration for various bills, all of which were blocked by objection, Senator Teller (Col.) addressed the senate on the Philippine question.

Turns Back on Party.
In conclusion Senator Teller said that he would not support the republic- an party in the approaching campaign. "I did not support its financial policy, and I do not support the Philippine policy as foreshadowed in the pending measure (the Spooner bill). And I do not want to give up the islands, either. They are a source of great ad- vantage to us. They stand in great pathway of the commerce of the world, and they can be of immense value to this country."

At the conclusion of Senator Teller's speech Senator Wolcott (Col.), chair- man of the committee on post offices and post roads, moved to recommit to the committee a bill for the classifica- tion of clerks in first and second class post offices.

The bill was recommitted and the senate then went into executive ses- sion.

Senate's Executive Session.
Washington, June 5.—The senate was in executive session for three hours Monday, dividing its time between an extradition treaty which has been negotiated recently with the republic of Switzerland and the nomination of Hon. W. D. Bynum to be general appraiser of merchandise at New York. The treaty was ratified without division after some slight verbal amendments. It is the regulation agreement on the subject of extradition of criminals, and is a mere modification of the old treaty with Switzerland. According to the former agreement Switzerland was pledged to the surrender of her own citizens upon demand of the United States, but a law having been enacted recently by the legislative assembly of that country making it unlawful to make such surrender, a new treaty became necessary to conform to the new conditions, and accordingly the treaty ratified Monday was negotiated.

When the treaty was disposed of the Bynum nomination was taken up and its consideration pressed by senators who opposed confirmation, on the the- ory that if a vote could be secured confirmation would be defeated. Sen- ator Fairbanks, as Mr. Bynum's friend and chief supporter, opposed considera- tion, and, failing in his purpose, moved to recommit the nomination to the committee on finance. This motion was lost by a vote of 32 to 34. Senator Fair- banks then at four o'clock took the floor and spoke for the remaining two hours of the executive session. The closed session was brought to an end a few minutes before six o'clock by an order for a recess at that hour and action upon the nomination was pre- vented.

House.
Washington, June 5.—The house Monday agreed to the senate amend- ment to the sundry civil bill appropri- ating \$5,000,000 for the Louisiana pur- chase exposition at St. Louis. There was not a word of debate on concur- rence in the amendment. It was after six o'clock when the matter came up, and owing to the lateness of the hour and the overwhelming majority in its favor the opponents of the fair approp- riation did not even make a show of opposition. They contented themselves with demanding a roll call which re- sulted 127 ayes to 75 nays in favor of the appropriation. The house also agreed to the senate item for the Mis- sissippi river with an amendment re- ducing the appropriation to \$2,250,000 and adding a provision for the prepa- ration of a comprehensive report on the levee system by the Mississippi river commission. With these exceptions the items of the sundry civil bill still in dispute after the adoption of the partial conference report were sent back to conference. The disputed items of the District of Columbia appropria- tion bill were agreed to and the bill went to the president, leaving only four appropriation bills still in dispute between the two houses. Mr. Tawney

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OUT OF QUARANTINE.
Gen. Otis Is at Last Permitted to Land in San Francisco—An Interview.

San Francisco, June 5.—After five days in quarantine at Angel island, Maj. Gen. E. S. Otis, who arrived last Wednesday from Manila, was allowed to land Monday. Several cases of smallpox on board the transport Meade were the cause of the quar- antine, and Gen. Otis and all on board had to submit to vaccination. Gen. Otis was brought over from Angel island on a special steamer furnished by Gen. Shafter, who went to meet the returning general, accompanied by Surgeon Maj. Arthur and Capt. Wilson. The party was driven to the Occidental hotel, where Gen. Otis spent the afternoon receiving callers and preparing for his departure east. It had been decided to receive Gen. Otis here with full military honors, but for some reason this ceremony was omitted.

Asked what would be the effect of the war if the report of Aguinaldo's death were truth, Gen. Otis said that the war was practically ended, that Aguinaldo's followers were deserting him fast, and those who now remain with him are generally of the lower class. Most of his officers have left him, though some still remain in touch with him. Some of those who have left him are now engaged in business in Manila and others are hiding in the mountains. Many of his closest followers are very friendly to- ward the United States, and that as soon as the natives in general gained confidence in the friendly offices of the Americans, there would be little diffi- culty in bringing them to terms.

Asked as to the commercial value of the islands, the general said they were vastly rich, especially in hemp, sugar and tobacco, and that as soon as the situation became more quiet business of all kinds would increase tremendously, as it is now doing.

Gen. Otis would not state whether or not he favored the retention of the islands by this country, and in re- sponse to such a query he merely said: "We have got them now. What are we to do about it?"

Gen. Otis left for Washington at night and will report to the president at once. He could not state when his report of the situation would be ready, but he would first make a verbal re- port to the authorities in Washington and later hand in an extended written report.

FILIPINO LOSSES.
Gen. MacArthur Sends Statistics of the Killed, Wounded and Cap- tured During the War.

Washington, June 5.—Secretary Root made answer to the senate resolution inquiring as to the number of Filipinos killed and wounded and the number of prisoners taken since the insurrection began. Having no detailed information on the subject, the secretary yielded the inquiry to Gen. MacArthur, command- ing at Manila, and received the follow- ing response, which was submitted to congress:

"Manila, June 4, 1900.—Adjutant Gen- eral, Washington: With reference to your telegram of 22d ultimo, Filipinos, killed, 10,790; wounded, 2,104; captured and sur- rendered, 10,424; number prisoners in our possession, about 2,000. No systematic record of Filipino casualties at these headquarters. Records compiled from large number of reports made immedi- ately after engagements is as close an approximation as is now possible, owing to wide distribution of troops. More ac- curate report would take weeks to pre- pare. Number reported killed probably in excess of accurate figures; number re- ported wounded probably much less, as Filipinos managed to remove most of their wounded from field, and comparatively few fell into our hands. Officers of high rank and dangerous and suspicious men have been retained as prisoners; most other men discharged on field as soon as disarmed. Propose to release all but very few prisoners at early date."

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CHAPTER XX.

THE LEAD-LINED VAT.

Sprague seated himself upon the long pine box; and Sturgis, dropping into the only chair, began his narrative. As he talked, he carelessly whittled the cover of the wooden box with the knife which he still held in his hand. He began with an account of his investigation at the Knickerbocker bank, and explained the result of his observations and inferences down to the time of his visit to Murdock's house, omitting, however, to mention any of the names of the actors in the reconstructed drama.

"So you see," he concluded, "we have established the identity of the body in the cab, and of the young man who disappeared after the cab was upset. But one of the most salient features of the case, from the start, was the fact that neither of these two men had derived much, if any, pecuniary profit from his crime. The bookkeeper, as we have seen, was a mere cat's-paw in the control of the accountant, and his posthumous confession has given us the explanation of the power exerted over him by his accomplice. It was not so easy to establish the motive which controlled the actions of the accountant, who was himself only a tool in the hands of a higher intelligence. The deus ex machina of this crime is a man of genius who has hardly appeared upon the scene at all, but whose traces I have found at every turn. He was the brains of the whole scheme; the other men in his hands were mere puppets. Through the accountant, this master spirit managed the bookkeeper; and the accountant himself was controlled by him more directly, but no less surely. If he held the former through his fear of exposure and consequent ruin, he influenced the latter through even more potent motives. He is the father of a beautiful girl, whom he did not scruple to use as a decoy. The price agreed upon for the accountant's assistance was the hand of this daughter, for whom the young man had doubtless conceived a passionate love. Whether or not the leader would have had the power to carry out his part of the contract matters little; for it is highly probable that he never had the slightest intention of so doing. He evidently realized very early in the game that the bookkeeper could not long escape the clutches of the law. But as he had taken every precaution to prevent him from knowing anything of his very existence, the fate of the unfortunate bookkeeper would have mattered little to this heartless villain, had not the probability remained that, when brought to bay, the bookkeeper would denounce the accountant's connection with the crime. This would have been extremely awkward, since the accountant was very likely in possession of some dangerous secrets. The safest way out of the difficulty was to quietly suppress the now useless bookkeeper. This plan was decided upon, and would doubtless have been carried into execution, had not fate otherwise decreed. After the bookkeeper's death, under the circumstances which I have related, it became quite probable that the accountant's connection with the case would be discovered; for luck had been against him from the start, and he became more and more entangled in the chain of circumstantial evidence of whose existence his leader was soon fully aware. In the first place, the accountant was wounded; and thus not only partially disabled, but also—what is far worse—conspicuously marked. A man who carries his arm in a sling can hardly fail to attract attention, especially when this distinguishing mark is accompanied by another equally glaring one in the form of a head of brilliant red hair—"

"Hold on, Sturgis!" interrupted Sprague, who had been listening with growing interest; "don't you know the accountant's name?"

"Yes," replied the reporter; "his name is Thomas Chatham."

"Thomas Chatham!" exclaimed Sprague, as the image of the miserable young man came to his mind.

"Yes," replied Sturgis, answering his thought, "the man you met only a few hours ago."

There was a brief silence, broken at last by Sprague, who asked:

"Has he escaped?"

Sturgis hesitated.

"That depends upon how we look at it," he said, gravely, at length; "he has paid the penalty of his crimes."

"What do you mean?"

"He is dead," answered the reporter.

"Dead? But I tell you I saw him—"

"I know; but he has died since."

"Suicide?"

"No," the reporter's voice sank to a whisper; "murder."

"Murder?" repeated the artist, startled. "But how do you know that?"

"This lump of lead tells the story," said Sturgis, holding up the shapeless piece of metal which he had taken out of the vat.

"What is it? A bullet?"

"Yes; the bullet which Chatham carried in his arm from the time that he was wounded by Arbogast, the bullet which has enabled me to trace him step by step, from his flight from the over-

turned cab to Dr. Thurston's and finally to his death in this very room; the bullet whose peculiar shape is recorded in this shadow picture taken by Thurston by means of the Roentgen rays."

So saying, he handed Sprague the photograph. But the artist had ceased to listen.

"In this very room?" he mused aloud, looking about him with awe.

"Yes. The story is simple enough. The man whose instrument Chatham was is not one who would care to be lumbered up with tools, which become positively dangerous as soon as they cease to be useful. This man, totally unhampered by pity, gratitude or fear, determined to destroy the accountant, whose discovery might have imperiled his own welfare. What mattered a human life or two, when weighed against the possible loss of his own life or liberty, or of his high social standing and his enormous wealth; for this man is both renowned and rich, and he appears to have brought wholesale murder to a science."

"Do you mean to say that wholesale murder can be indulged in with impunity in a city like New York, at the end of the nineteenth century?" asked Sprague, aghast.

"Yes; when it is done in the systematic and scientific manner that has been employed here. For this murderer is the most remarkable criminal of modern times. He has not been satisfied with killing his victims; he has succeeded in completely wiping them out of existence. Criminals have often attempted to destroy the bodies of their victims, but they have never before succeeded as this man has. He is a chemist of remarkable talent, and he has discovered a compound in which bone as well as human tissue is rapidly and totally dissolved. There it is in yonder tank. See how completely the liquid has destroyed the bone handle of this knife."

Sturgis, after showing the damaged knife to his companion, resumed his whittling upon the cover of the box on which the artist was seated.

"Chatham's body has been dissolved in that tank within a very short time. It has entirely disappeared; this flattened bullet alone is left, leading being one of the few substances which are not soluble in the contents of the tank. Fortunately he overlooked that fact. Genius has its lapses."

Presently Sprague ventured to say:

"If numerous crimes have been committed here, as you intimate, I do not understand how it is that suspicion has never rested on this house before."

"The author of these crimes has taken every precaution to render the chance of discovery quite remote. His dwelling-house on one street, and the bogus chemical company on the other, are in communication through this underground passage, while apparently having no connection with each other. Moreover, he is too shrewd to make frequent use of this death chamber. That does well enough as a last resort, when he is obliged to commit the murders with his own hands; but I suspect that this man has other agents like Chatham, who do the dirty work for him and then quietly ship the bodies here for annihilation, as it was intended should be done with Arbogast's. Ah! yes; I thought so. You are sitting upon one of these bodies now."

Sprague started to his feet; and, following the direction in which Sturgis was pointing with his open knife, he vaguely discerned, through the opening which the reporter had whittled, a surface of what had once been the features of a human being.

After gazing for some minutes in horror-stricken silence at the distorted face, the artist asked in a low voice:

"How did Chatham meet his death?"

"I don't know yet," answered Sturgis, gravely; "this man is no ordinary criminal. His work is clean and leaves no blood-stains and no disorder to tell of its accomplishment. He takes life with his own hands only when he is forced to do so; but, when he does, his method is masterly. It was easier to make away with Chatham than to pay him the price agreed upon for his complicity in the Knickerbocker bank embezzlement; and so his life was taken. I hope to discover how before I leave here."

Sprague started as the reporter ceased speaking.

"The price of his complicity?" he claimed, laying his hand upon Sturgis' arm and looking earnestly into his eyes.

"Yes," replied the reporter, steadily meeting his friend's gaze, "his daughter's hand."

Sprague looked away from the honest eyes of the reporter, as if he dreaded to read in them the answer to his next question.

"Who is this fiend incarnate, who is willing to traffic in his own flesh and blood, and with whom murder is a science?"

"The man who is capable of these crimes, and of any others which

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might serve to remove an obstacle from his way is—"

The reporter did not finish his sentence. He suddenly grasped his companion by the arm and stood transfixed, his eyes dilated, his neck craned in a listening attitude, every muscle tense like those of a wild animal in ambush about to spring upon its approaching prey.

Presently a click was heard as though a bolt had been shot from its socket.

"Draw your revolver!" Sturgis whispered hoarsely to his companion. "Quick!—Look there!"

At the same time he drew his own weapon and pointed in the direction of the door at the head of the stairs. The door opened and a man entered, quietly smoking a cigar.

"Dr. Murdock!" exclaimed Sprague with horror.

Murdock, still holding the door ajar, eyed the two men for an instant, his impassive face betraying not the slightest sign of emotion. Then, taking his cigar from his lips:

"Ah, gentlemen," he drawled, in his ironical way, "I am delighted to see



"AH, GENTLEMEN, I AM DELIGHTED TO SEE YOU."

you. I trust you will make yourselves perfectly at home for a few minutes. I shall return directly. You can continue to work out your little problem in the meantime, Mr. Sturgis."

With these words he calmly turned to leave the room.

"Stop!" shouted Sturgis, leveling his revolver at Murdock's head; "stand where you are or I fire!"

The reporter's shot rang out almost before he had finished his sentence; but Murdock, unscathed, passed out of the room, closing the door behind him.

Sprague, dazed by the rapidity with which this scene had been acted, stood rooted to the spot, without having made any attempt to use the revolver which he had drawn at Sturgis' bidding.

The reporter sprang up the stairs and threw his weight against the door. But it was doubtless intended to withstand great shocks, for it remained unshaken.

"Check!" came the sound of a mocking voice from the other side of the door.

Then, rushing down the stairs again, Sturgis shouted to his companion:

"Come quick! We must get out of here!"

And he led the way through the subterranean passage toward the cellar of the Manhattan Chemical company.

(Continued.)

Grand Opening Ball.
The grand opening ball at Tatman's opera house, Eau Claire, Thursday, June 7. Music will be furnished by the Beckwith Memorial Theatre orchestra. Dance bill \$2, spectators 50 cents. Supper 75 cents per couple. D. G. Tatman and W. C. Tatman, proprietors. 12:00 dw

...that Potville people are acquainted with her and allowed their sympathies. Not so; they knew of her by hearsay only, as a widow, Widow Douglas, they believed, of Green Meadows.

But they did know John Washane. That was enough to know. John Washane who had placed less than a year ago the plain yet touchingly inscribed stone to the fifth Mrs. Washane.

It was talked over at various sewing circles, and suggestions were offered, motions made and carried as to the best way in which to apprise the new Mrs. Washane-to-be of her unenviable prospect; and one day—as it happened, only a week prior to the marriage—an anonymous epistle found its way to the Widow Douglas, of Green Meadows.

"Dear Friend: Though strangers to you, we feel it incumbent upon us to write you, ere you take upon yourself the vows of conjugal obedience to one John Washane, of Potville. He is a good man. He is an honest man. He is a generous man. But truth compels us to state that in spite of many virtues he has worried his many former wives into untimely graves by nagging and bawling. That this may not be your fate is the wish and prayer of

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The Widow Douglas read the letter, a curious little frown, which was half a smile, showing itself as she perused the anonymous missive.

The wedding ceremony was over. Mrs. Washane, sixth, was an accomplished fact, and the twain, now one, having driven in their own hired hack all the way from Green Meadows to Potville, were about to enter the house which Sally Lancaster had with indignant vehemence gotten ready to receive the bride.

"And now, John, as soon as we can get our clothes changed I think that you had better hang that gate while I am getting supper—I noticed it says."

Thus was the beginning of John Washane's sixth marital venture; when he came into the house he was urged to take off his boots at the threshold and reminded: "Never did I thus have to address my first husband." Constantly was the statement made: "What would my dear Partner Douglas have thought had I been obliged to ask him to bring up coal?" "Dear George would never have failed to procure the best of meats and butter." Until at last John Washane became accustomed to the oft-repeated assertions and actually felt that, compared with the late George Douglas, he, John Washane, was an outcast and a villain. No longer did he refer to Susan, Matilda, Jennie, Carrie and Mary as partners for all future housewives to copy; what were they as compared with her to whom the sainted Douglas had bowed in allegiance before? His voice took on a humbler cadence when he spoke to or of his Lucia. His? How had he ever dared to woo this piece of perfection—how had he been so favored to win her?

He referred to his own unworthiness one day to a neighbor lately moved into the town, a man who years before had lived in Green Meadows.

"As I think of her former partner I wonder what she saw in me that should lead her to renounce the name of George Douglas. It may be that she saw my need, and, as it were, was willing to snatch me as a brand from the burning—what were you about to say, Lawton?"

"You never knew George Douglas personally?"

John shook his head.

"But you did, I dare say, by reputation at least."

Mr. Lawton grinned.

"I did," he said, with a silent, mirthful chuckle. "And so you are the man that married Lucia Douglas? A good woman, she, and a clever one. But George Douglas—well, yes, I knew him, too—lot of folks did—the gossip keeps best of all. Thought that he was a kind of saint, did you? Well, now, Lucia didn't when he used to beat her till she was nearly dead; and she didn't when he stole Parson Grant's cult; nor she didn't when he used to swear blue streaks at her; nor when she used to have to keep herself and him from starving by taking in washing—oh, she didn't think him a saint 'til he up and died in the gutter, relieving her of a nuisance. I mind how she broke down when we told her he was dead, and said: 'He's done one good thing that I hope the Lord will give him credit for, he's died.'"

John Washane walked home in a dazed condition.

"Lucia," his voice was still somewhat awed as he addressed her, in spite of what he had heard. "Lucia—did—did—"

"Oh, John, why don't you say what you start to without repeating? Dear George used to speak so differently."

"Did he ever curse you?" John had found his tongue at last.

"Why, John?"

"And strike you? Get drunk—steal—neglect—come, Lucia, tell me, I want to know the truth."

Mrs. Washane's dimples became apparent.

"Some one has been talking," she said, a twinkle in her brown eyes, "so I may as well admit it. He was—oh, John, dear, he did make my life so miserable, so unbearable."

"Why did you deceive me so?" John demanded, pulling upon his knee the wife whom hitherto he had hardly dared to kiss. "You made me think he was an angel, all—but."

"It's too bad," Mrs. Washane gave a playful tweak to the grizzled mustache so near her face, "but John, dear, I did it in self-defense. I'd heard how you told your second wife of the virtues of Susan. And I'd heard how she came at last to the conclusion that you didn't think she was worthy to untie your shoestrings and so died. And then you told your third wife that she had been a treasure, that Matilda was not to be mentioned lightly, that she was a worker, a helpmate, a woman of a thousand and you could never forget her worth; and then Jennie died and you put on her tombstone what you never told her you thought about her; and then Carrie heard of Jennie's goodness, and how you could trust her, too; and then Mary—the sweetest woman that ever lived, I admit, for I knew her, she was my own cousin—Mary became your wife, and you never told her that she made your home as happy as Heaven, and she died—and John, dear, I didn't want to hear what all the others had heard—and so I gave you a chance to hear the kind of talk your wives had heard—and—John, dear, you're not angry, dear, are you—because—well, it has been lovely here, and I'm glad you married me and gave me a chance to forget George Douglas. You're not angry, John, dear?"

And John Washane kissed his pretty, coaxing young wife, and said: "If you'll never mention your 'dear departed' to me again, I'll tell you what I think—I've got a wife now who is the best and brightest, loveliest, sweetest, cleverest, dearest woman—there, there, puss, don't smother me!"—St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

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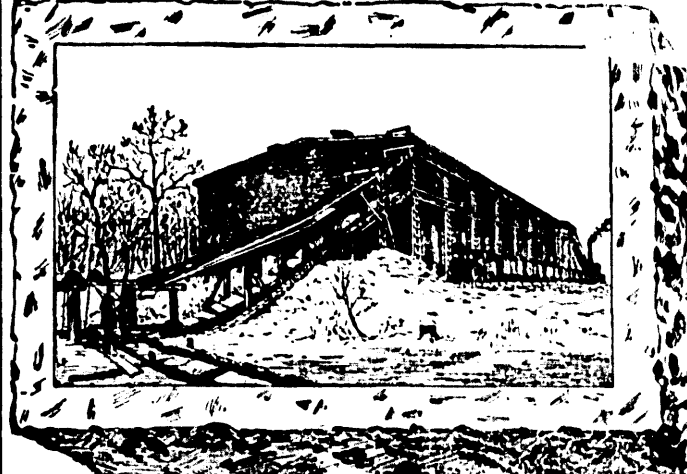
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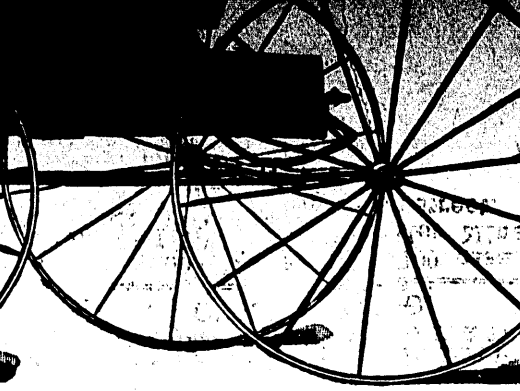
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Allen Messer is in Chicago today.
Miss Kettle Dalrymple is in Chicago.
Dr. B. G. Watson is in Chicago today.
Miss Alice Gilson has returned from a visit in Detroit.
Mrs. Jennie Fabry spent Sunday and Monday in Chicago.
Charles H. Ellingham, of Bluffton, Ind., is at the Mercy hospital.
F. G. Warren left last night for a two weeks' visit in Charlotte.
Rev. Herbert L. Potter, of Buchanan, is in the city today.
Miss Myrtle Morrill has accepted a position at Van Horn's store.
Hugh Hosford and Walter Martin, of Berrien Springs, are in the city today.
Sherman Dilley and brother of Berrien Springs, are in the city today.
Mrs. Charles Powell of South Bend, is the guest of Mrs. Dorothy B. Collins.
J. C. Calkins and family have gone to St. Johns, Mich., to attend a wedding.
Messrs. Harry M. Eyer and Milton Stern of Chicago were in the city yesterday.
Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Young, of Holland, are the guests of Myron Hinkley and family.
Mrs. Withoff, nee Myrtle Brant, of Dayton, Ohio, is visiting her parents in this city.
Mrs. O. M. Chapman left this afternoon for Chicago where she will visit several days.
Victor Lindeley, the famous end on the Dowagiac high school football team, is in the city today.
F. B. Davis, general freight agent on the Pere Marquette railroad, passed through the city this morning.
Mrs. Ola Richardson, who has been visiting her sister, Miss Pearl Adams, returned today to her home in Kalamazoo.
Miss Lucy Marti has resigned her position at the Chicago Bargain Store where she has been a faithful employee for a number of years.
Will Quilliams arrived home this morning from a trip through the south, buying fruit. He will continue in the same business here during the summer.
Mrs. S. W. Barker has returned to her home in Grand Rapids after a month's visit with Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Barker.
Miss Daisy Frazer of Chicago, arrived in this city today and will spend the remainder of the summer with Mrs. Emma Dalrymple, Brunson avenue.
Miss Elizabeth Davis of Salt Lake City, Utah, is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Harvey. Miss Davis is a student at Evanston and made a short visit in this city before returning to her home in Utah.
J. O. Felts has come here from Fort Wayne to spend the summer. He will follow his old business of collecting fruit and will go back to Fort Wayne in the fall and look after his drug store there.
Mrs. Frank V. Eastman left today for Des Moines, Iowa, where with her parents Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Foster of Goshen and sisters, Mrs. C. M. Barnard and Mrs. C. N. Dewey, she will be a guest of her sister Mrs. A. J. Pratt.
D. H. Graham and Mr. Barr, representing Bradner, Smith & Co., were in the city today selling paper. Mr. Graham has been with the house for eight years and next week leaves for a three months' visit in the old country. His firm keeps up his salary while he is away.
Mrs. Thresher will entertain the Art League informally from 3 to 6, Friday afternoon.
First Trip Steamer Tourist.
The elegant river steamer "Tourist" will make two trips up the river to Somerleyton Sunday. She will leave her dock in St. Joseph at 9 in the morning and at 2 in the afternoon. These will be the first trips of the season. Round trip fare, 25 cents. 5c210
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There will be election of officers at Benton Lodge, No. 132, I. O. O. F., next Tuesday evening, at which time every past grand should be present to cast his vote for grand lodge officers. 2c208
Program for Wednesday Evening.
Following is the program to be given by Philip B. Friday, at the entertainment at the Methodist church Wednesday evening:
"Knee Deep in June"—Riley.
"An Old Sweetheart of Mine"—Riley.
Scene 1, Act 5, Hamlet, Shakespeare.
Music.
"Watchin' the Sparkin'"—Brooks.
"Dinkelspiel's Chat with Aguilardo"—Hobart.
"The Hippodrome Race"—Ebers.
Music.
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Scene 2, Act 1, Scene 1, Act 3—"The Rivals"—Sheridan.
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at months ago, a Humboldt (22) correspondent of the Chicago Times Herald.
"Jim" liked to tell that story. He had told it not less than a dozen times to my certain knowledge and to the same audience within the past six months. I knew this, for I had been one of the audience. But among all the loafers at the store not one ever resented the repetition of the tale because they saw in it an added luster to the glory of the town. It was not every town in Iowa that could boast of having entertained a big-bug Englishman of the sort that this one was, a man who had made a world-wide reputation. He has not told that story since that same big-bug Englishman has dropped from his pedestal, and I doubt very much if we ever hear it again, for I am afraid the audience that has listened to its recital so patiently in the past would resent it now as a disparagement to the quality of the town's visitors.
"He was a big-bug Englishman," he said. "Some kind of a sir. He didn't care no more for money than he did for dirt. He used to come to Humboldt most every fall and hunt chickens and ducks, and I used to drive him and his crew out over the northwest part of the state for about a week or so and back some new way to Humboldt. When was it? Well, I guess the last time he was here must have been about '75 or '76. It was some years before the railroads, anyway, except the one that had got to Algonia."
"We didn't need railroads in them days, and if we had 'em I don't suppose this here Englishman would ever have come near us. It was just the great wide prairies from which nothing had ever scared the wild fowls that brought him here, and he didn't need the railroads any more than we did. It was ducks and chickens and them things that he was after, and not a ride on the railroad."
"He wasn't one of your stuck-up Englishmen that can't find nothing good enough for him—and eating and sleeping in country shanties was pretty tough them days. There wasn't a house from about seven miles above Algonia to the Minnesota line except the sod tavern, as they called it, and even that wasn't no palace. Their house well was right in the barnyard. But Buller (that was the Englishman's name), he wouldn't allow nobody to kick or make fun of the places where we put up."
"He had an awful easy way with him that made the women folks get over their first scare right off. The last time he was here we were up in Kosuth county, and we thought we could make the sod tavern for all night. We got there at milking time, and I went to the barnyard, where the man and his wife were milking. Says I: 'Can we stay here to-night?' 'Well, I guess so,' says he. Then he hollered to his woman, and she gave him such a dressing down as I don't care to tell in the way she done it. She said there wa'n't no flour in the house, nor no meat, nor no tea, nor no coffee, nor no sugar, nor no nothing, and then for him to stay or to go."
"Well, just as soon as I got my breath I went back to the wagon and showed Buller a house off west, about five miles, I guess, and we drove over there pretty fast. When we got to the door three pigs run out, and pretty soon a woman came from the back room, and my, but she was dirty. She had been chinking up the cracks with mud, and the house just did look dreadful."
"Buller says: 'Can we stay here all night?'
"Well, she says, 'I guess you'll have to, for ther ain't no other place, but we hain't got nothing to eat but butter and some biscuit I can make, and we ain't got but these two rooms and this one bed.'
"So Buller, he began right off to clean out the kitchen and he built a fire, and the woman tidied herself up as well as she could, and made a big batch of biscuit and showed Buller how to twist hay and stuff the stove while she slipped out to milk the cow. Her husband wasn't at home.
"Pretty soon she came running in, and says she: 'I guess you burned the biscuit by the smell outdoors.' And, sure enough, they was as black as coal.
"Well, says he, 'you have got more flour. Make some more, and I won't burn them. But, hold on,' he says, let me count them biscuits before you sling them away. All right.' And she threw them out.
"Say, did you ever sit around and watch a meal cook when you was just starving and then see your supper turn into a dead coal? It makes the sap run out of my mouth now to think of it. Well, the next pan came out all right, and the next one, and the woman cooked a duck and a couple of chickens that we brought, and we just eat awful, and that woman seemed just as happy as if we was all her own blood and kin.
"When bedtime came we carried in a lot of hay and spread it on the floor, and with our blankets and big supper and being tired we slept first rate. We had took our boots off. We never slept in our boots—it sweat our feet too much.
"The next morning when we came to settle up Buller asked how much the bill was. She said: 'Well, I dunno. It seems as if I ought to have something, but you put in the chickens and the duck, and all these other chickens you are leaving me, and you hain't made no bother, and have told me so many things that's a-goin' on in the world.' But after some urging she said maybe two shillin' apiece would be about right, and throw in the horses.
"Well, sir, you ought to have seen that Englishman stare. He turned red in the face and spoke up kind of sharp like, and says: 'Woman, be you crazy? Two shillin' apiece—chickens—ducks—throw in the horses,' and he pulled out his wallet. 'Here,' says he, 'here's six dollars; that's for the men; and here is another for the team, and here is 50 cents for the biscuit I burned, and don't you never keep a hunter for less than a dollar, for if he ain't rich he's throwin' away money, and you might as well have some of it as anybody.'
"Well, sir, that poor woman shook just like as if she had a spell. She said she hadn't seen so much real money all summer, and she hadn't seen a silver half-dollar since the first year of the war. My stars, but we thought a lot of that feller.
"I hadn't never heard him swear till that day. But when we left that cabin for a long time he didn't seem to hear or see anything, but kept looking off straight ahead like, when all of a sudden he broke out: 'It isn't right—it's a blasted crime—that gives one so much and another so little.' And from that he went on for half an hour, I guess, running from Bible talk to cuss words, and talking about the poor and the rich in a way I can't tell; but it was so touching and so kind that I liked it all; even the cuss words seemed all right to me then, though I never swear.
"Say—that fellow is in South Africa now, I see.
"For it was Gen. Sir Redvers Henry Buller.

drivers of old cars. The car was a four-wheeler, and there are perils which are appreciated, and then, again, there are perils which the wildest-eyed railroad that ever opened a throttle objects to runnin' up against. Now take myself, for instance, and I don't mind sayin' that washouts, hind-end or front-end collisions, plain ditchin' and such like have no terrors for me. Them are perils which are appreciated. They come so regular that we get sort o' used to them. Not that I would have you to understand that I have had very many of them kind of experiences myself, for I ain't, but I've seen 'em, and heard tell of 'em until I class 'em as appreciated perils.
"Now if you go sailin' round a bend in the track and see a bridge that's always been standard gauge clean gone entirely you know what to do. That bridge being gone from its accustomed place means that you're to reverse the old girl and jump, and the quicker you do it the more chance you have of gettin' another chance to pull a throttle.
"Then, again, if you're goin' into a station and see some dogged fool has left a train on the track you're supposed to be runnin' on it's best to get off if you can't stop before you get to the other train. It don't pay to see how close you can come to makin' connections, 'cause you might come closer than you figured on doin'.
"Then, again, if you break in two on a down grade you can calculate that about the best way out of the difficulty is to call for brakes, and then pull her wide open and get out o' the way as fast as steam will take you, else the result might prove disastrous. All them class of perils is appreciated and bein' appreciated ain't much feared by railroaders.
"But there is perils in railroadin' which ain't appreciated, and for which they ain't no set rules to govern. When you run into one o' them it makes you guess, and guess quick and guess right if you ever want a chance to guess again, 'cause it ain't often that you get a chance to guess twice on a peril that you don't appreciate.
"The worst peril I ever struck of this kind was a regular old howlin' twister, and if Schenck, the conductor, will give me time before swingin' that lantern o' his to go ahead I will tell you about it. This twister that I spoke of I met with, or it met with me, whichever way you want to put it, out on the Iowa division of the Northwestern 'bout 20 years ago as near as I remember now, and I tell you now it came near endin' my railroadin' days then and there. Not that it hurt me, 'cause it didn't, but it might near scared all the railroadin' out o' me. If it hadn't been for my brother I guess it would.
"I was firin' then for my brother, and together we was pullin' freight out o' Clinton west and bringin' back stock, mostly. I never see a twister until I see this one, and didn't fully appreciate what they could do. Still I had some idea, as there had been two or three 'round that part o' the country that summer, and one of them had cleaned up a town along the line. When I saw what wasn't left of that town I got some idea of what the possibilities of twisters was in general, and concluded I didn't care 'bout meetin' any of them outside a cellar.
"We were 'bout 75 or 100 miles west of Clinton, runnin' 'long as nice a piece of straight prairie track as the road owned, and I was down on the floor shovelin' in the coal. While I was there Jack turns and yells down at me:
"Better shake her up a little, sonny; we're goin' to need steam.'
"I did what he told me, and then climbed back onto my seat. But no sooner had I looked out ahead of us than I pretty nearly fell off ag'in. There right ahead of us was a regular old howlin' twister comin' right at us. The wind had been howlin' bad enough before, but I never expected to meet any such thing as that was. I climbed down off that seat quicker'n scat and made for the engine step to jump off, but I wasn't quick enough for Jack, for he grabbed me and yanked me back ag'in.
"What yer goin' to do?' says Jack to me.
"Goin' to get off,' says I.
"What fer?' says Jack.
"To get out o' the way o' that twister,' says I.
"Stay where you are,' says Jack, and with that he pulled the throttle back as far as it would go, and we jumped ahead, pretty near breakin' the train in two.
"Another minute and the old twister was right on top of us. When it struck the engine it lifted the old girl clean off the rails, but she come back ag'in all right, but rockin', so I thought sure she'd go over, but she didn't. Of course we was through it quicker'n scat, and then she struck the first car. Sure as I'm standin' here it lifted the first two of them clear off the track, broke the couplin's and laid 'em in the ditch. The third car it picked up bodily and carried clear over into the field beside the track, but it never touched another one of them 43 that was left, and bein' on a slightly down grade at the time they come runnin' right along after us until we got to the bottom of the grade and then begin to slow up.
"Soon as I got settled down a bit Jack tells me to climb out behind the tender and couple 'em up ag'in when they come together, and I did it, so we never stopped, but kept going right along. Of course the crew in the way-car saw the twister, and felt it shake 'em up a little, but the darkness prevented 'em seein' the cars go off the track, and the conductor didn't know he had lost part of his train.
"After we got hooked up ag'in we rolled along 'bout as usual 'til we reached the next stoppin' place, and then the conductor come forward for orders.
"Great old twister, that, we just passed,' says he to Jack.
"Bet it was,' says Jack.
"Wouldn't like to meet one o' them on every trip,' says he to Jack. 'Somethin' might happen some day.'
"Deed it might,' says Jack.
"How many cars you got?' says the station agent, comin' up.
"Forty-five,' says the conductor.
"Deed you ain't,' says Jack.
"How many have I got, then?' says he to Jack.
"Three shy o' 45, I reckon,' says Jack to him.
"Where's the other three, then?' says the conductor, actin' kinder riled.
"In the field back there,' says Jack. And then he told 'em all about it, and the agent sent in for a wreckin' crew to clean 'em up.
"Course there was an investigation, and both Jack and the conductor had to make a report of how it all happened. But Jack 'lowed he couldn't help nature takin' its course, and the conductor didn't know anythin' about it, so neither one of them got a lay off. But I did; I took one for a week to let my nerves git settled down ag'in.
"There's Schenck wavin' that lantern o' his, so I'll have to be movin' old 680 out."
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